Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by AlexSk - 2009/08/22 20:00

Dear sirs!

The purpose of acquisition of such remarkable component as JMC at me was to give, by means of it, possibility to my users to be registered on one of many my sites, without registration repetition on others. I have a master a site and there are some additional sites on joomla 1.5.12 in one domain and on one server, but have different DB and different catalogues. All is organised by a principle: the master a site - master.com, additional sites - slave1.master.com, slave2.master.com etc. All sites already exist and work also to me it would not would be desirable them to alter. Whether there is a possibility of the general users in this case? Or all the same it is necessary to alter my additional sites? I have reconsidered many materials on your site but the answer to the question unfortunately have not found. And still a question, whether it is necessary for me for decision of my problem also to buy a quota?

With the best regards,
Alexander

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/23 00:07

Dear Alexander,
with JMS, you can NOT convert existing website to have independent user into shared users because this is something that must be decided when you create the database.

This is not possible because the user ID is used at many places in the DB and should require to update all the DB to reflect the changes in user ID in the case where a product that do such kind of functionality decide to move the existing user into another DB and therefore create new IDs.

The website quota is only required when you use the "billable website" functionality for the website creation from the front-end. Otherwise, you don't need it.

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by AlexSk - 2009/08/23 01:48

Dear edwin2win,

Ok, well. In that case prompt what to do if a hosting the provider has forbidden use FlowSymbolLink in Apache and is not going to resolve? On FTP links are created but besides to pass on them it is impossible. Well and as it is known result of all of it is the error 403 and to correct it Options +FollowSymLinks in.htaccess it is impossible

best regards,

Alexander

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/23 09:42

Dear Alexander,
If the Symbolic Link is not allowed by your hosting provider, the only solution is to use the procedure like with the Windows platform.
In this case, you have to configure all the domain an sub-domain with the same directory path.

You can verify the "Symbolic Link" functionality with the "hello world" procedure as described in tutorial step 7

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites
Posted by AlexSk - 2009/08/23 11:46

Dear edwin2win.

No, the test as on a step 7 completely does not pass and besides I talked to a support service a hosting of the provider and they have directly told that from safety reasons symbolical links are disconnected and cannot be included.

Tell as, on more detailed or prompt where to read how to do without symbolical links

Best regards,
Alexander

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/23 15:58

In case where symbolic link is not allowed is described in the tutorial step 10.
The key element is to configure your hosting server correctly to provide the same directory path for the different domain and sub-domain like this is the case with Windows platform

In summary, you have to configure you hosting server to have for example:
www.master.com = /public_html/master_dir
www.slave1.com = /public_html/master_dir
www.slave1.com = /public_html/master_dir

Notice that all the domain are assigned with the same directory path (the master root directory)

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by lexxy2000 - 2009/10/01 02:09

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hey if you need a hosting provider that works with jms try www.startechhosting.com that who I have and i have not issues.

Only issue i have is learning how to use jms.

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by Astehmari - 2009/11/12 23:11

Greetings Edwin,

I have bought your very comprehensive component not fully knowing that it is designed for use at the initial development of sites (this is becoming clearer to me now). However, i have two Joomla sites with Community Builder 1.2.1 on them and i fundamentally need to share the user access before continuing to develop and expand them. While the sites are quite small in regard to memberships, one is definitely the MAIN (master content) site, i need to find the best work-around to get our memberships having a unified experience.

Both sites are using Vituremart for full function e-commerce. The "slave" site is a SPECIALIST retail division of the MAIN (master) site so it has some overlapping product ranges.

No matter how crude, please advise how i can get these sites (or perhaps a clone of the SPECIALIST site) working together. Can i make a new slave site from the MAIN (master) that is a design clone of the SPECIALIST. I'm prepared to re-input the registered members details if they can't be imported/exported in.

For reference the sites are sharing one database on one server, the MAIN is jos_.

One way or another i need to bring these sites (or replicas of them) into unity, please advise on ways forward.

Astehmari

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/13 12:16

Concerning the user sharing between existing website, I have no solution to propose to you and I don't know any method that could be used to export / import the user and also maintain all the DB consistency when you change the user ID.

Concerning your VM shop, you can share them in VM and perhaps you could create VM categories for your different "specialist". This will give the possibility to create "common" categories that could be used by several slave sites.

If you have group of specialist,you could also decide to create a template slave site for each group. All depends the level of shared information you would like to group together.

Copy / clone / replicate the master website is possible and you have to create a JMS templates to define the rule.
Becarefull when you are using the "jos_" table prefix for the master website.
In this case, we recommend to use another DB for the slave site and never re-use the master website DB. Just to avoid that you replace the jos_ table prefix by error. I remember you that when you create a fresh slave site, if you are using the same DB name than you master website and if you forget to change the table prefix provided by default, this will erease your master website and replace its content by the fresh slave site.

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites
Posted by cheyennemtnman - 2009/11/24 03:46

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I am at the point of setting up a website that will have Joomla in a subdirectory of the root... I will also have 3 other Joomla installations each in their own sub directory off the root...
I also will have an ELGG installation and a Moodle Installation in subdirectories off the root...
Can your product link all of the databases with the same user and have all logins occur when the user logins in the Master Joomla installation?

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/24 09:16

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Read the product detail that explain the sharing users and the single sign-in.
http://www.jms2win.com/download

In summary, you can create several website that share the joomla users or share some extension like community builder or jomsocial.
There is a limitation concerning your environment. You have to check that you are using MySQL 5.0 and that you have all the MySQL privileges to share the MySQL tables.
See tutorial video 16 that show how to share users.
http://www.jms2win.com/tutorial#jms12x-16
See also the tutorial video CP-02 that show how to create a DB on cPanel and limitation concerning the "MySQL" privileges.
http://www.jms2win.com/tutorial#jms12x-CP-02

Concerning the single sign-in it only works on the same domain.
This mean that your websites can be subdomain or subdirectories.

Concerning ELGG and Moodle we don't know.

Can you give send us these joomla extension to allow us review them.

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by cheyennemtnman - 2009/11/24 15:22

Thank you for your prompt response... ELGG is a community builder outside of Joomla but can be linked in to Joomla through a bridge or extension... http://elgg.org/

Moodle is a Courseware application http://moodle.org/ there is a bridge between ELGG and Moodle that exists.... and there are extensions and bridges for Joomla and Moodle...
What I am looking for is one application / extension that will link and synch Joomla, Elgg and Moodle with two other Joomla installations...

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/24 15:53

JMS does NOT provide any Synch as it directly share the MySQL tables.
So I can not guarantee that the bridge will work properly between several installation.

In general, external application have their own database convention to install their stuff and in general you can not have several website in the same DB with independent ELGG ro other extension.
As soon as they use their own "table prefix" they are frequently shared between all the websistes present in the same DB.
The idea that we can not guarantee is to use the JMS joomla user sharing to share the users between all the websites of the same DB and also install you "bridge" to syncrhonize the info with the external extension.

All I can tell you is to test it but I can not guarantee that the sycrhonisation between all the slave site and the external extension will work (probably but not sure).

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by cheyennemtnman - 2009/11/24 16:06

Thank you once again for your prompt response... They are separate databases and I am fine not having them share a database... I just want a single logon... which can be accomplished... it is called duo logon for the Jfusion project...

For now, I would like a Joomla to Joomlas (Master to 3 Slaves) single logon where once they login into the Master then the slaves will have that user logged in when they click to enter the slave joomlas... so there is no re-logging in... Each Joomla installation will have different content but the same look and feel... It is a functional requirement for this approach...

If your solution can provide that then I am a happy camper! I can work on the bridging of the other applications....

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Re:Shared users on existing master and slave sites

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/24 16:41

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It is not possible to have a single sign-in without sharing the users.
With JMS, you have to start sharing the Joomla user that also share the session in aim to benefit of the single sign-in.

If you don't want to share the users, you can try to install JFussion. It is defined in JMS tools.

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